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eHealth Care Quality and Patient Safety Board
Information Exchange Workgroup
August 31, 2006

Location: 1 W. Wilson Street, Room 372, Madison
Time: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Members
- John Hartman
- Scott Novogoratz
- Susan Turney
- Denise Webb
- Louise Wenzlow
- Hugh Zettel (Chair)

Resources
- Keith Haugrud
- Debbie Rickelman

Staff
- Stacia Jankowski
- Audrey Nohel
- Judith Nugent

Approval of meeting minutes
The minutes of August 24 were approved as written.

Discussion of the impact of assumptions and recommendations from other workgroups on technical requirements
Stacia Jankowski provided a document that contained all the assumptions and recommendations provided by the other eHealth Board workgroups in the course of these discussions. She proposed that the Information Exchange Workgroup review this document and identify any technical requirements that are implied through these assumptions and recommendations, subjectively rating the technical requirements as to feasibility and timeframe, and identifying any assumptions or follow-up needed for each. The workgroup worked through a few of the assumptions and recommendations (see Attachment 1 for the results of that discussion).

The workgroup discussed public programs that could be leveraged to further the efforts related to certain technical aspects identified. For example, the workgroup discussed the role of master person index (MPI), and suggested expanding the information currently being used for Medicaid recipients in Milwaukee emergency rooms. Debra Rislow said that she was confused about how claims data could be used to provide a summary document that includes patient identifiers. Denise Webb responded that this is done after a patient has gone through a registration process, which allows the identified data to be displayed.

The workgroup discussed proposed guiding principles for the information exchange architecture. Due to time constraints, the workgroup decided to provide comments on the proposed guiding principles and provide input to the assumption and recommendation document to Ms. Jankowski by e-mail. She will compile this for discussion at the September 7 meeting.

Face-to-face meeting in September
Ms. Jankowski reported that she has been receiving responses from the workgroup members as to their availability for a face-to-face meeting on September 14 or 21. Based on the initial responses, September 14 looks more promising, but she said more information would be forthcoming very soon.